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It will be colder and fair today, ith light flurries of mow.

Like "All Fool's Day" and "All Hallow Eve," St. Valentine's day is a time of license. It is the only day durtime of license. It is the only day during the year when an anonymous expression of opinion is permissible without incurring the penalty of self-conismpt. On that day one can lavish a
quarter's worth of sickly sentiment
upon a girl who is altogether out of
reach and it goes. She attributes it to
some other fellow. You can buy a frank, contemptuous, or vituperative Iwo cents and send it to the man whom you loath but cannot lick. The opinions expressed may be extravegant, but there is an infinite satisfaction in anticipating how the receiver will paw the air and rave when he gets it, and even more enjoyment in witnessing his rage. Your landlady, who has appeared callous and unimpressionable, at last laid low in tears. The comic valentine finds the only flaw in her armor. Your employer, whom you se-tretly hate but before whose eye you iremble, is also winged. You thought him a cold blooded old pachyderm but his awful language when he opens the mail is the wince of the galled jade and an unmistakable evidence that his withers are wrung. As a rule comic ratentines are more often sent in jest than in earnest but the receiver is gen-srally red bot and the sender will do well to keep shady. The custom of observing Valentine's day is a very ancient as well as a very silly one but sach generation must have its fling at it and the custom will probably last un-til the end of time.

In order to race funds for Michigan to make an educational exhibit at the exercises on Washington's birthday, at which contributions can be made to enable the carrying out of the project. No restriction is made as to the way in which the money is to be obtained, but it is urged that every child be inspired to contribute something, no matter how small the amount may be, so that he may feel that he has an interest in the honor of his native state. Expressly are teachers urged, in filling out the blanks, to make no distinctions as to the amount given. "The smallest contribution may be as loyal as the est contribution may be as loyal as the largest." The object is a good one, and will no doubt be met with encouragement and enthusiasm by every teacher, and yet it is humiliating that the great state of Michigan should have to resort to this catch-penny method of getting money enough to enable her to make an exhibition worthy of her great educational system. It's another case of taxing the few for the benefit of the

The Canadian commissioner now in Washington will seek to form a reciprocal trade treaty on such natural products as will best promote Canadian interests. Her vast forests are a source of wealth only as they can be converted into lumber and the lumber marketed; her production of barley cannot be consumed at home; the wheat production of Manitoba and the dairy products of Quebec are also in excess of home demands, there-fore a foreign market must be found. Until the McKinley bill came in force Until the Mckinley bill came in force all these products, excepting the products of the forest, were admitted to the United States on a payment of a merely nominal duty, since then other markets have been tried and various shifts made to maintain the prosperity which prevailed prior to the time of rices or doors to their merels and states our doors to their merels. which prevailed prior to the time of closing our doors to their surplus productions. The effects of inis set were so marked and fetrimental to Canadian prosperity; that during the general election of March, 1891, the political issue between the dominant parties was unlimited reciprocity with the United States. The conservative party, who opposed The conservative party, who oppose this measure, won by a scant majori this measure, won by a scant majority on a promise that manufacturing interests would continue to be protected against American manufacturers, and a reciprocal trade measure on natural products entered into with the United States. Such a measure of reciprocity as this would discriminate against our factory productions and such of our natural measures as now measured in comments. products as now successfully compete; add to this a proposal that their sur-plus productions be admitted free of duty, or at a seminal duty only, and a recipeant investor would result which would be of inentemptic value to Canada, but atterly wrothfees to us. On such a basis, un-less greatly modified, it is doubtful

if closer trade relations will be established with Canada. Certainly the basis of negotiations proposed by them much be made to appear less "jug andled" before any agreement can be

MICHIGAN SMALL PROPER The bulletin issued by the horticu-tural department of the State Agricu-tural college, and having for its subje-Fruits," is at hand, and us carefully repared nearphlet on the work that se been done at the experiment ele-on, South Haven, on the shore of Lake Michigan, A detailed account is given of the success or failure in hand-ling the different varieties of berries, currants, grapes, and so op, as well as an account of the enemies, both animal and vegetable, of Michigan fruits. Ot strawberries, the Alpha variety seems to have maintained its position as one of the most desirable very early berries, while the Enhance has proved itself without a peer as a market variety, a dosen plants having produced more than three bundred ounces of fruit. The report is full of important infor nation to would-be growers of small

ALD, TURNES PLAN.

The chilly reception with which the Cook well contract is received by the city fathers and the evident sentiment in favor of going up the river for a water supply will result in the presentation of some figures to the common council tonight. Some time ago Alder-man Turner argued in favor of build-ing an intake in the river above the soldiers' home and connecting it with the city pumps by a large conduit. In accordance with instructions City En-ginser Collor has prepared some estimates of cost for mains capable of fur-nishing twelve, fifteen and twenty million gallons respectively every twenty-four hours. The sizes of these mains are respectively fifty-two, fifty-eight and sixty-two inches in diameter and the approximate costs range between \$170,000 and \$224,000. Mains of these diameters would convey a much larger quantity of water than is specified, under pressure, but such is not the under pressure, but such is not the plan. It is the intention at least for some years to come, to bring the water to the city pumps at a comparatively low pressure, but it is not at all improbable that some day the whole pumping outfit will be removed to a point near the source of supply of the council sees for the council supply if the council sees fit to go up the river where it is safe from contamination. The length of the proposed conduit is 15,000 feet measuring from the present pump-house. It is urged that with this main in place, galleries could be constructed at the foot of the bluffs on the west aide, for the purpose of collecting the outflow of the springs in that locality and this water could be conveyed into the supply main by literal pipes. If this supply is insufficient the river water can be used to World's Fair, the Superintendent of public instruction has requested that the pupils of the various schools hold the various schools h opinionated some animated discussion are expected to follow the introduction of this new plan.

YESTERDAY'S social session of the Press club was conspicuous for the prevalence of good cheer and a spirit of cordial fraternity. The lady members, in a thoughtful and thoroughly woman-ly manner, sent a delegation from their number, and it presented the "session" a beautiful token of respect in the form of a cluster of roses entwined about a pipe. They retired without saying a word, amid the mingled expressions of surprise and delight that sprang from the lips of the male members. As a great, big, sympathetic family the Press club is incomparably the foremost. The sisters enjoy the fullest measure of repect and confidence from their

Dating from this evening the agitawill assume a new aspect. The com-mon council seems to be a lethargic body which moves best when actuated body which moves best when actuated by passion, prejudice or opposition. Let some lone project be brought before it and it is likely to grow gray and accumulate moss and barnacles before any disposition is made of it. Oppose it, and doughty champions will rise up in the most unexpected places who will take off their coats and move heaven and earth to put it through. The water question has been such a project.

THERE is one man who will supremely happy on Washington's birthday. James W. Scott of the Chicago Herald will entertain the American congress in his magnificent newspaper building. Why he will be happy lies in the fact that he is the first and only American publisher who has the mmeasureable nerve to undertake the stupendous task of filling the American congress with champagne.

SPRINGER's hopes are all based on a frail twine. The democrate will ulti-mately find themselves holding on to a rope of sand. The tariff is in need of no tinkering and the quicker this becomes noted abroad in congress the better for the nation-

New Junsar recens to be a Mocca to wards which misery and disaster travel. In the summer it is afflicted with mosquitoes; in the winter the small-pox rages. Added to these, it is most of the time democratic.

Tax Prince of Wales and family will ferego may further formal mourning for the late Duke of Clarence. Consid-ering the intrinsic value of the dead heir, the resolution is a wise one.

Tax split in the New York democra-cy admirably illustrates the geomet-rical ennests of an angle of 180 de-

Ar last whishy has seared a violary over the Esstey cure. It failed to

roung Fair, after a fair trial, while the bi-caleride treatment knocked him out in the first round.

WHOON BARRETT says that "art is to guest of beauty." This explains why art is so rarely seen in company with the members of the dramatic profess-

Ms. DE HAVES IS one of the hap efers and after andwich-and-coffee makers in Grand Espide. He is the pew of the city.

Naw Your should exhibit Dave Hill's nerve at the World's Fair as an example of the infinite possibilities of

Tue democrat majority in congress to gradually dividing itself up into facms of one man each.

Taxas is solid for Hill. That is just the sort of political sentiment one would expect from Texas.

"The distory of David Greive," by ira. Unsightery Ward. The announcement that Mrs. Humphrey Ward has written another book will elight all lovers of "Robert Elsmere." Its story is that of an English lad who, nampered from birth by the bad blood of his mother, passes through much of loren and stress to a noble manbood. Irs. Ward treads dangerously near the heals of religious discussions several times, and the book is also made a ackground upon which to throw what he knows of French art and artists, but he story is one of intensest interest rom beginning to end. McMillan & Co., publishers. For sale by Eaton, you & Co. Price, §1.00. BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

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MR BLAND'S BILL

The free coinage bill was ordered reported to the house Wednessay by a vote of 8 to 5 in the committee. The full provisions of the measure are as

shall be the standard silver dollar as cow coined, consisting of 412 grains standard silver or the gold dollar of 25 \$-10 grains standard gold and silver colas of the United States shall be a legal tender in payment of all debts, public and private. Any holder of gold or silver bullyn of the value of \$100 or more of standard fineness shall be entitled to have the same struck into any authorized states free of charge at the mint of the United States, or the owner of the bullion may deposite the same at such mint, receiving therefore coin notes equal in amount to the coinage value of the bullion deposited, and the bullion thereupon shall be in deauminations not less than one dollar nor more than \$100 and shall be in deauminations not less than one dollar nor more than \$100 and shall be in standard gold and silver chins of the United States.

Sec. 2. That after the passage of this act it shall not be lawful to issue or reasury notes provided for in the act of July 14. 1890, entitled, "An act directing the purchase of silver bullion and the issue of treasury notes thereon and for other purposes." That all such certificates and treasury notes thereon and for other purposes." That all such certificates and treasury notes when received in the treasury shall be canceled and destroyed and coin notes herein authorized may be reieuted, but the amount at any time outstanding shall not be greater or less than the value of the coin notes therein authorized may be reieuted, but the amount at any time outstanding shall not be greater or less than the value of the coin notes therein authorized may be reieuted, but the amount at any time outstanding shall not be greater or less than the value of the coin notes there or the states, and the bullion at coining value held in the treasury or any sub-treasury or any sub-treasury or the united States, and the same at his creaming into the treasury deposit the same at his creaming into the treasury or therefore the standard silver on the little of states to immediately make public procl

ORIGIN OF A FORTUNE Would of a British P.

HARRIED under the impression that the vines would never recover, invested over five handred thousand pounds sterling in buying up all the good wine that he could by his hands upon and eventually accumulated some eight or ten thousand pipes of choice varieties, ranging in value from two hundred dollars to two thousand dollars apiece. To ledge his wines Mr. Blandy was forced to purchase to less than farty buildings, among tham being the Funchal theater, which he ruthlessly transformed into a storchouse. It was here that I had an opportunity of tasting when last at Punchal a Madeira of the year 1700. The gen of the entire collection, however, was a rare fice Martinho Verticlbo, rather more than fifty years of age, bo, rather more than fifty years of age, and possessed of a wonderful perfume. Old Mr. Blandy, who was a man of most gental and hospitable disposition. most genial and hospitable disposition, has now been dead for several years, and it is the fortune realized by him is the Madeurs wine trade, and which he bequeathed to his daughter, Lady Thomson, that will enable her husband, the learned president of the Royal society, to maintain with belitting dignity his new title.

THE MAN OF FORTY. The Best Part of His Life Is Tet to

The best half of life is in front of the

The best half of life is in front of the man of forty, if he be anything of a man, says a writer in Vick's Illustrated Magazine. The work he will do will be done with the hand of a master, and not of a raw apprentice. The trained intellect does not see "mon as trees walking," but everything clearly and in just measure. The trained temper does not rush at work like a blind bull at a haystack, but advances with a calm and ordered pace of conscious power and deliberate determination.

To no man is the world so new and the nature so fresh as to him who has spent the early years of his munhood in striving to understand the deeper problems of science and life, and who has made some headway towards comprehending them. To him the commenest things are rare and wonderful, both in themselves and as parts of a beautiful and intelligent whole. Such a thing as staleness in life and its duties he cannot understand. Enowledge is always opening out before him in wider expanses and more commanding heights. The pleasure of growing knowledge and increasing power makes every year of his life happier and more hopeful than the last. than the last.

STORY OF A HEAD. A Perfect Likeness in Wood of a Japanese

The model of a decapitated head in the museum of the university of Penn-sylvania has an interesting history. In the year 1859 Count Okuma, the Japathe year 1889 Count Okuma, the Japanese minister of foreign affairs, was
attacked by a young fanatic while in
his carriage in the streets of Tokio. A
bomb was thrown into the carriage,
which exploded and injured the right
leg of the minister so that amputation
was necessary. The man theu attempted
to kill himself, but was prevented by
the police and taken to prisen, where
he was executed by decapitation. At
the time of his arrest an officer struck
the man on the head with a saber. An
ingenious and expert wood carver, Hannenums, saw the head and studied it so
faithfully that he produced this copy.
The covering is a species of lacquer,
and each separate hair of the head is
inserted in a cavity made for it with a
small drill. The head was parchased
from the artist by Dr. Edward H. Williams, and by him presented to the museum. The beautiful model of a
juricksha man, exhibited by Dr. Williams in his collection of Japanese are
displayed last winter at the Academy
of Fine Arts, was the work of the samt
artist.

HER UNFORTUNATE MISTAKE

This Young Lody Thought the Watter's Thamb Was a Chocolate Relair.

It was at her first dinner party, says the Rochester Democrat. She was naturally a little nervous, but everything went off well and she soon became more at ease and talked rather brilliantly to those around her.

The dessert was being served and the stately colored waiters were engaged in passing those funny little frosted cakes which seem indispensable to the proper service and deginition of loss. They were calcas with pink frosting.

The weiter came to where the bud set and presented them. She looked them over and said: "I don't care for any."

The waiter was about to pass on when she saw what she thought was an eclair on the side of the dish furthest from her.

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"Yes, I will, too," she said, reaching over for the celair. "There is one with chocolate on it." "Bag parden, miss,' said the waiter, as she tried to pick the chocolate-covered cake up, "bag pardon, but that's my thumb."

Assess "As swift to Thought."

A velocity as high as two thousand alght hundred and highty-seven feet per second has been attained by a projectile from a rapid-fire gun. This is at the rate of one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight miles an hore. It is the highest velocity ret recorded.

A SUCIAL DANIER.

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hings are not conductive realth. The affection I re her voice. Let monerally experient half an hour in a generally experient in bound half an house and her throat in bound stupid girl Jemima, who would have dining room window open, or same of innocent thing or person. She is I ally paying the price for making R howl, and I tell her so when she or to me and wants me to diagnos grippe in her symptoms."

IMMENSE INDIAN FORTUNES. Decadence of the Habit of Hearding Van

Decadence of the Habit of Hearding Vant Sums of Measy.

The ancient oriental passion for hoarding appears, from F. C. Harrison's elaborate article on the circulation of the rupse in the Economic Journal (Macmillan), to be gradually disappearing, and is now believed to be mainly confined to the old wealthy families and princes. The original cause, fear of civil tumult, has passed away, and the presence of an increasing market for investment, the sweet simplicity of the four-per-cents, of family misfortanes, aconer or later have the effect of emptying the family vault. Notable instances of the dissipation of large hoards have occurred in recent years. The maharaja of Gwailor, a Mahratta chief, lent the government upward of thirty million rupses, of which all but three million were in native coin. The maharaja of Burdwan's accumulation (principally of sicca rupses) has disappeared in litigation and investment, and recently large hoards of Arcot rupses from Madras and Chilki rupses from Kashmir have passed into our mints. In Bengal several considerable hoards of sicca rupses have been feun't to exist in the houses of wealthy landholders on the occasion of their property passing into the control of the court of wards. Mr. Harrison estimates the annual quasi-permanent disappearance of government rupses due to this cause as now less than five million, and would put it even lower if there were not reason to believe that in southern India the priestly trustees of the temples still accumulate the offerings of pilgrims.

THE SPIDER'S WEB.

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Where it Originated—It is stronger Than Notal Thread. Look carefully under her abdomen and near the tip you will see six little

Look carefully under her abdomen and near the tip you will see six little nipples. Under these nipples, inside her body, there are special glands in which a kind of gum is secreted, and this dries when it comes into the air. This gum forms a silken thread, from which the spider builds her web. The nipples, which are called "spinnerets," have not merely one opening, but are pierced with at least a hundred holes, and when the spider begins her web more than six hundred separate strands go to make up a single thread.

According to computation, based upon the fact that a fiber only one four-thousandth part of an inch in diameter will sustain fifty-four grains, a bar of spider's silk an inch in diameter will support a weight of seventy four tons. In other words, according to the Kansas Farmer, spider's silk has nearly three times the supporting strength of iron.

A Creeping Sewider.

Bavanta are invited to solve the problem of how a bowlder, weighing over ten tons, can travel a distance of forty feet in twenty years without human agency. The stone is in West Hill pond, in the town of Winchester, about four miles from Winsted, Comm., and for years it has been a sort of boundary mark. Recent surveys show that it is not where it was ten years ago by several feet. The water in the pond is ten feet below its natural level and the rock is partly out of water. In front of it a heap of stones and gravel has been forced up as it has moved onward, and in its rear is a seep channel through which the rock plowed its way. Many level-headed and truthful persons say they have known of this pisenomemon for twenty years.

Engiand's Process Reat Imports.

The importation of frozen ment into England is increasing year by year. From 15 to 30 per cent of all the mutton consumed in the British Isles comes from New Zealand and the River Plate, to say nothing of other sources of supply. Last year New Zealand cent nearly 2,000,000 and the Plate more than 1,000,000 carcasses. Australia is coming to the front. In three years its experts of carcasses have risen from 90,000 to 340,000, and there is no doubt that the business in a very few years will assume vast proportions. Sheep raising has also been begun in the Falkiand islands which experted 10,000 carcasses last year as a beginning. The whole of this trade has agrang up in less than ten years. What it may be ten years hence can scarcely be guessed.

BEECHER AS A SOV.

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Bow the Great Princher Appeared at the Age of Seventeer.

My first meeting with Henry Ward Beccher was in the early part of May, 1820. He was a clausmate of a brother of mine in Amherst college, and very close fricads. The two were just out of their fryshman year when, together with another college classmate, they walled from Amherst to my father's house at West Setton for their spring vacation, writes Mrs. Henry Ward Beccher in a paper on "Mr. Beacher as I Knew Him." in the Ladies' Home Journal. At that time young Beacher was not quite assentees years old, but so young and begind was his appearance that no one would have thought him more than fifteeness and painfally bashful. For that remove and painfally bashful. For that remove and painfally bashful. For that remove and painfally bashful. For that remove

When, at length, the "good ore exchanged, I left father as to by the fire, while I made as

maying:
"Well, he is smart. He'll make his mark in the world of the lives."
"Who, figher?" I saked.
"Why, that young Reasher."
Such was lieury Word Reasher where I first saw him; and, truth to tell, he was not remarkable for his beauty.

A LUCKY PLANT.

emary Was Supposed to Pesson Hay

In the south of Europe the rosemar has long had magic properties ascribed to it, says All the Year Round. The Spanish ladies used to wear it as an antidote against the oril eye, and the Portuguess called it the Effin plant, and dedicated it to the fairies. The idea of Portuguese called it the silin plant, and dedicated it to the fairies. The idea of the antidote may have been due to a confusion of the name with that of the Virgin; but, as a matter of fact, the "Rosmarinus" is frequently mentioned by old Latin writers, including Horace and Ovid. The name came from the fondness of the plant for the seashers, where it often gets sprinkled with the "fos" or dow of the sea, that is to any, sea spray. Another cause of confusion, perhaps, was that the leaves of the plant somewhat resemble those of the juniper, which is medieval times was held sacred to the Virgin Mary.

In the island of Crete, it is said, a bride dressed for the wedding still calin, last of all, for a sprig of resemany to bring her luck. And now we come to find resemany in close association with both marriage and death, just as the hyacinth was, and parhaps still is, among the Greeks. It is interesting to trace the connection by which the sense plant came to have two such different uses.

One of the earliest mentions of mary in English literature is in a of the fourteenth century, called dioriouse Rosemaryne," which h

OLD AGE OF RIVERS.

They Are All Comporatively Recent &

coasts, and particularly on our or Sines the glacial epoch there have be several such movements on the England coast. Every elevation git the rivers new work to do, and for time rejuvenates them, or at least vives them so that old age seems to not an actual condition of rive though it can be readily conceived, a must result if the land remains a long enough for its attainment truly old river is known, though years most North American rivers wastly old. The hills of New Englance mountains worn to their very roand thousands of fact of mark have be and thousands of fact of mark have be vastly old. The hills of New England are mountains worn to their very roots and thousands of feet of reck have beer removed from above them, yet the rivers of New England are bursly maters in topographical form. There seem good evidence that them hills have been in the seat of old rivers and that the region was once worn down to almost a plain or a pene plain, and traversed by alugish streams, with little sediment, flowing in broad, low valleys. An elevation of not very ancient date, geologically speaking, revived these old streams, which now are starting on a new cycle.

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